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Applicant(s) wish to disclose the following information.

REFERENCES

- The applicant(s) wish to make of record the references listed on the attached form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed references are attached, where required, as are either statements of relevancy or any readily available English translations of pertinent portions of any non-English language references.
- A check is attached in the amount required under 37 CFR §1.17(p).

RELATED CASES

- Attached is a list of applicant's pending application(s) or issued patent(s) which may be related to the present application. A copy of the patent(s), together a copy of the claims and drawings of the pending application(s) is attached along with PTO 1449.
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- Each item of information contained in this information disclosure statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this statement.
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STATEMENT OF RELEVANCY

Reference AO (JP 7-173492) on Form 1449:

This reference discloses a composition which can remove an attached matter by dissolving or swelling it.

Reference AP (JP 10-239866) on Form 1449:

This reference discloses a composition of a rinsing solution used for detachment treatment, which does not cause corrosion in a metal thin film on a substrate, and a treatment method which uses it.

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